

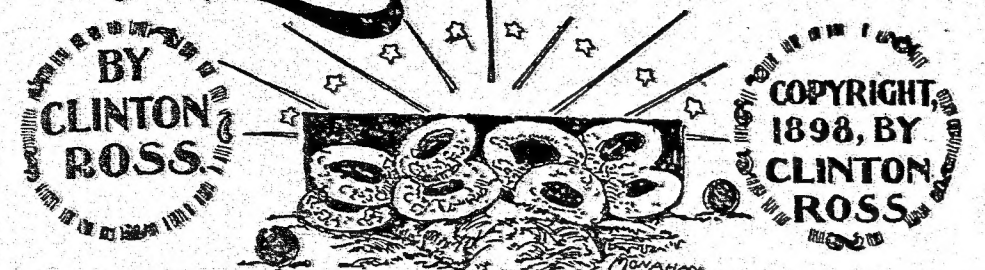








# The Perilous Venture of Lady Ackland.



## CHAPTER I.

You have asked me again for my story of the Burgoyne affair. Yes, I ought to know about it, for it was indeed the most important affair of my life. Now, in that camp, I'll confess, was a girl I once had loved to love, before her brother was killed in the battle where I, too, was engaged. Kate Essex ever held this against me, as you will see if you follow me. Well, she was with Lady Harriet Ackland, the major's wife, in General Burgoyne's camp. I had been taken prisoner the day before the great battle. I have, as you know, some experience as a surgeon, which enabled me to be of small service in looking after General Burgoyne's wounded. And in all that fight I was wounded, prisoner as I was, but enrolled as a British surgeon's assistant. I forgot that we were fighting, them, as my friend Colonel Kenneth forgot it when a prisoner at Yorktown. I hardly noticed that General Burgoyne was preparing for a retreat.

But first the general was resolved to give General Fraser, who had died in the night of his wounds, a fitting burial. The regiments were mustered into a melancholy procession at sundown, and the sound of muffled drums mingled with the musketry and artillery along the outposts.

A friendly sergeant put me where I could see it all. The chaplain led, with head uncovered, the prayer book of the church of England in his left hand, and I saw then the girl I've mentioned, Kate Essex, supporting a lady scarcely older than herself, whom I surmised to be Lady Ackland. I was startled at sight of her in that dismal surrounding.

The scene, grim enough against the irregular outline of wooded hills, had sadder coloring from the soldiers, showing in all their appearances the hard, discouraging service of the yesterday, the officers with pale, serious, yet determined faces, many limping or bandaged.

The chaplain paused by the opening. Drums gave their muffled refrain, and all was ready for the service, never more expressively simple. Suddenly out of the comparative stillness came the deafening roar of artillery. A ball tore the upturned earth at the chaplain's feet, casting dirt over his vestments, yet he kept on impassively, as if he were in a church. Several persons fell.

The sergeant, who was still at my side, cried: "D—n 'em! They'll not let us bury our general. D—n 'em!" But suddenly the firing stopped, to be followed by the low booming of a gun at minute intervals, adding to the solemnity of the occasion.

"Do you see, Sergeant White, you are mistaken! General Gates has found that, after all, it's not a movement of your troops!" I said exultantly.

"I was wrong," said he. "They're men."

By the time the box had been lowered it already was dark, and in the retreat to the works I lost sight of Kate Essex and Lady Ackland. I had trembled for them in that rapid firing; for, though the girl was prejudiced against me, I felt I could wish her no hurt.

The meantime, many fires were lighted—rather more, I thought, at once than the camp required, but I was not long in seeing that these were faints to cover retreat to Saratoga. Half the army were superfluous—weariness and despair lay on nearly every face, and yet I was amused to see two young officers, apparently oblivious, at cards by the firelight. The enemy's line had ceased firing, as if they still were apologetic for the unseemly shots the requiem of minute guns had followed.

The ensign who had taken me brought an order for me to report to General Burgoyne. I found him in a spot rather apart from the preparations with Mr. Brudenell, the chaplain, who just had said the service. Miss Essex and Lady Ackland, who was speaking earnestly. As I came up with the little officer, Kate Essex faced me with that same utter lack of recognition, but General Burgoyne extended his hand.

"Mr. Sedley, I'll restore you the dispatch you brought from General Washington to General Arnold. Here are all your papers."

I must have looked my amazement, for he explained bitterly: "This is unusual, and the prisoner may become the friend. Lady Ackland is insistent on going down the river to the enemy, where her husband, Major Ackland, is wounded. Mr. Brudenell and Miss Essex are for accompanying her. It's a dangerous attempt to make. I've told her. Into whose hands she may fall is uncertain."

He paused, walking up and down. "Being an officer of General Washington, you can bring them into the camp more safely than another. I have consented out of common humanity."

But my foe, Kate Essex, interrupted. "General Burgoyne, I'd prefer not to have this man with us."

"It's necessary!" Lady Ackland cried. "Will you let prejudice stand in the way?"

"Leave me, then!" cried the other passionately. "I prefer not to go."

The girl seemed silly. "You did us much kindness at General Fraser's bedside last night," said the general courteously.

"Your excellency, chance has brought about some curious events," I said, bending my head.

"You can do a service," said the chaplain, "I believe, with General Burgoyne."

"If I may, I will go gladly," I said. "And I am sure that Miss Essex will grant me a privilege."

"I despise your favor, as you, sir," she cried, looking me full in the face, "being with the rebels when your family should have left you loyal!" This was woman left hysterical by the roll of the guns, I decided.

"I know. I expect nothing else. But it's no pleasure to be in your camp, nor did I make this chance," I said in a low voice to her.

"Ah, Mr. Sedley," Lady Ackland cried, "we need you. My poor Kate, you must control your nerves."

"I beg you all pardon," said Miss Essex. "I'll not stand in the way—of this man doing you this service to-night. I need not see him after—ever. But, in the face of this, how can you tolerate a rebel?" And she pointed to those dejected soldiers of the king.

"You may believe, Miss Essex, I will be to pains you shall not," said I, I think not without spirit.

"It's better that Mr. Sedley should go," General Burgoyne said, smiling as if the episode amused him even in his serious plight. "He has spoken tonight as the straightforward gentleman, and trouble, sir, makes us esteem each other. Of a pleasant day for myself I might have had to hold you a prisoner for exchange."

Whispering some words to the chaplain and Lady Ackland, he hurried us down the slope to the bank, I keeping well behind, near Lady Ackland's maid, a frightened Irish girl.

Half way down Lady Ackland let the others pass.

"Mr. Sedley," she said, giving me her hand, "you understand Miss Essex's prejudice. It's her brother's memory, whom she lost with us."

"No one better than I. You must know there are loyalist Sedleys, Lady Ackland."

"And, I waited to tell you, you have acted fitly in a position that must be as trying to you. Miss Essex's nerves have given way, I think."

"Thank you, Lady Ackland, much for remembering me when distressed over your husband."

"You are helping me reach him, sir," said she gently. "I never can thank you enough."

At the foot of the cliffs were two shifts. General Burgoyne had been unable to spare an escort. I told Brudenell I would take the maid in one while he should row the two ladies.

He agreed, helping Lady Ackland in, when Katherine Essex motioned the maid to follow into the same boat.

"I'll go with this person," I said to the girl.

"You prefer, I know, to be with us," said Lady Ackland.

"What difference is it, Harriet? This man is no more to me than the car. You thought I was weak. I may have been, but I want to show I am not now."

And, spurning my offer of assistance, she leaped in lightly, taking her seat.

"We have no time to talk about it," said Lady Ackland, losing her patience, while Brudenell helped the maid to a seat.

"We'll not talk about it, Harriet," said the girl.

"Shall I lead or you?" Brudenell asked.

"You would better, as you know the river."

We put out with the slow dip of the oars, keeping well under the high bank, where the defeated army was sounding its retreat.

She leaped in lightly.



"Neither of us has cause to be glad at the way chance has involved us," said I, bent on showing a Roland for her Oliver.

"And yet, Mr. Sedley,"—she had not before in the adventure called me by my name—"I must acknowledge to you, because I would be fair, that you have a right to your opinions—that you take your choice. You must not think I am altogether unfair."

I leaned on the oars. The little Essex was apologetic—for her nerves, and then I pitied her.

"I understand perfectly the circumstances," "Oh, I'm not glad!" she cried. "I hate the situation, as I have said, but I could not block Harriet Ackland because of my prejudice."

"You were unselfish," "For some moments she was silent, and then, strangely enough, began again."

"Yet I must tell you there are things about you I cannot help admiring, although I have the best reasons for despising your position when you should know better."

"There's small enough ground for admiration," I retorted, lamely enough. She was surprising me with her remarks.

"Yes, frankly, there is," said she, "small enough. Yet I'm not such a bigot as not to respect the motive leading you to send me that very considerate note when—when Dick was killed."

"What else could I?" "Nothing. Yet it modifies one's hate in a degree to know that the person who is wrong is not utterly devoid of feeling."

"I am glad you have found that out," I said, rather feelingly. But she appeared bound not to leave me conceited, saying resentfully:

"It doesn't matter whether you're glad or sorry."

"I know that only too well." "How do you know?" "The nature of the case," said I. "Of course."

A moment after she added: "I am glad I have had this talk with you, because we both shall feel easier."

"You do not know how much gratified you put me," said I, half mockingly, but she thought I was earnest.

"You know you mustn't forget what I think of you."

"I wish I could," said I. "You must not wish you could."

"How can I help it?" "Because you know it's a matter of complete indifference to me."

Now, what can you do when a woman takes your witticism in earnest? Why, I kept pretending.

"But it isn't to me; never can be." "And why shouldn't it be when you know?"

"When I know?" questioned I, half liking the pretense.

"That I know that you have a right to your opinion."

"A gracious concession," said I. She added after a moment:

"Yes, I'm glad I have had this chance to prove I'm no bigot even if you be traitor."

She went on after a pause which seemed to give me for chance to frame an answer.

"You must have advanced to be a major."

"General Washington knew my father."

"Do you remember how I scolded you, whom I had just met, for being a dawdler?"

"It was sweet of you to be interested," said I.

"I was not interested beyond the impatience I always feel at seeing a clever man wasting opportunities."

"I know that," said I; "not that I'm clever."

"I do not know, Mr. Sedley, but that it is strange enough for me to be talking to you in this way. But—but—" "I appreciate it in you, Miss Essex," said I, now entirely in earnest.

"This terrible battle—so much suffering softens one—"

The steady oar mingled with the cry of a nightingale. Something splashed out in the river. The firing had stopped.

"At last we understand each other better," said she.

"I hope so," said I.

"Oh, we must!" said she, almost humbly.

I had pulled rather slowly, and found on looking about that Brudenell's boat was around a bend of the river. When I commenced more vigorously, a musket was fired from the forest, the ball grazing her face.

"Into the bottom of the boat! Quick!" I cried. "Down, Miss Essex!"

She obeyed, crouching with admirable self control, while I rested on the oars.

"But you, but you, Major Sedley?" Another report, with the splash over the bow, told me it was not a chance shot; that it was from Indians or other marauders—of whom the unsettled country had many—from an outpost of General Gates.

On the latter chance I called: "I have heaved to. What do you want?"

For answer I had a blow in the side that tumbled me over, when one oar slipped. The other I clutched with hardly strength enough, for it, too, was slipping, while I knew a horrid faintness.

"They have shot you," said Katherine Essex, springing up from the bottom of the boat and seizing the other oar before it was in the water.

"I'm tumbled over, Miss Essex," I managed to say. "But don't stand up in that way. You'll be shot."

"Let them shoot, the cowards!" she cried. "Let me see where you are hurt."

"I am all right."

"You are not," said she, moving forward and lifting my head. "Oh, the horrid blood!"

She leaned forward, tearing a strip from her skirt, and then undid my coat, kneeling beside me, while the boat floated. No further shots followed from our skulking enemy, who probably I believe now—was some Indian. Nor did we hear the boat in front.

"The coward!" said she, stanching the blood with her handkerchief, and

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# RUMFORD FALLS.

Edith Flagg is bookkeeping for Foster & Dolley.

C. A. Mixer has painted his residence on Knox street.

Orrington Berry and family have moved to Lewiston.

Mrs. J. F. DeCoster has rented her stand to Addison Parsons.

Stanley Bisbee got \$200 for his horse Tommy. Tommy goes to Boston.

George B. McMenamin has closed out his restaurant on Congress street.

The Methodist Sabbath school is to have some new books for the library.

Charles Rush has painted his house on corner of Franklin and Knox streets.

The P. & R. F. Ry. has added fifty new box cars to the road's equipment.

J. F. Hall is building a small stable back of his harness shop on Congress street.

Rev. Fred M. Preble and wife of Auburn were recent guests at Rev. J. D. Graham's.

The scholars of the village schools observed Arbor day by setting out trees on the campuses.

Benj. Schwind, formerly clerk for Israelson & Marx, is now a practicing optician in Montreal, P. Q.

Principal M. F. Corson of Richmond grammar school has moved his family and household goods to Richmond.

S. Morton Smith and H. E. Stauffer of York, Pa., have put in new wheels for the grinder room of the paper mill.

George R. Wells, plumber, has leased the Henry Lee building in Ridgelyville and fitted it up to go into business for himself.

Hollis C. Dunton went to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary at Portland, last week, to have some sand removed from his right eye.

Superintendent E. L. Lovejoy of the P. & R. F. Ry. attended the meeting of New England railroad superintendents held in Boston.

Wallace I. White has contracted to build for John A. Decker the first block in the new town of Millinocket on the Bangor & Aroostook Ry. in Penobscot county.

The Rumford Falls & Rangely Lakes R. R. now runs a mixed train, leaving Bangor at noon and arriving here to connect with the afternoon train for down country.

The P. & R. F. and R. F. & R. L. railways were inspected by the State railroad commissioners, Wednesday and Thursday of last week. As usual, things were found O. K.

E. L. Lovejoy has had an extensive job of grading done on his premises. About 200 yards of earth were required and now the handsome stand on Franklin street looks better than ever.

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Frank P. Bennett limps. He sprained his leg lifting a boat.

Victor Jordan caught a 10½ pound tongue in Anonymous pond.

Willis Lowell of Everett, Mass., has been visiting his Harrison friends.

Mrs. E. J. Fogg has returned from an extended visit to relatives in Boston.

Luke & F. H. Brown have sold a piece of their land near the depot to John Tibbets.

Superintendent F. P. Bennett and his crew of can makers at the cannery are getting ready for a pack of 900,000 cans.

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## Coming Events.

May 19—Chapman's great concert, Norway.  
May 19—Norway High School graduation, Norway.  
May 20—Oxford County Teachers' Association, Norway.  
May 20—Memorial day.  
May 21—June 1—Oxford Universalist Association, West Paris.  
June 6—Maine Universalist Convention, Portland.  
June 6—Pomona Grange, Bethel.  
June 7—Free Baptist quarterly meeting and Ordination of pastor, East Bethel.  
June 8—South Paris High School graduation.  
June 12—State Assessors' meeting, Fryeburg.  
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June 12—State Assessors' meeting, Rumford Falls.  
June 19—Special Congressional election.  
June 20—21—Hebron Academy graduation.  
July 27—Anglo-School of Bethel, Fryeburg.

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Major H. A. Shorey of Bridgton will deliver the Memorial day address at Lovell.

Bridgton is making preparations for a grand old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration.

Swain & Reed have started up their new mill at Roxbury, their old mill having been burned but a few weeks ago.

For the teachers' convention at Canton, next Tuesday, the forenoon north-bound train on the P. & R. F. Ry. will wait at Mechanic Falls for the arrival of the Grand Trunk down train. Special rates on both railroads.

Bridgton Furniture Company with \$10,000 capital stock. Directors, Luther F. McKinney, John H. Ross and Byron Kimball, all of Bridgton; president, Luther F. McKinney; treasurer, John H. Ross; clerk, Elkanah A. Littlefield of Bridgton.

C. F. Work advertises an auction at his place in Oxford, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, June 8. He will sell farm wagon, horse, mowing machine, cow, plows, harrows and other farming tools; also a small amount of furniture.

Archer Lewis Grover, '99, Bethel, will be one of those who will represent the University of Maine at the meet of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic association in Worcester, Mass., May 20. Mr. Grover holds the New England college record for the 100 yards dash, 15.6 seconds, made at the Maine Intercollegiate meet at Brunswick, last year.

Saturday marked the 21st year of B. C. Brett's connection with the firm of A. L. & E. F. Goss of Lewiston. He has grown up with the business, so to speak, and is now an owner in its plant and a most valuable man in the concern. He has seen and contributed to the growth of the enterprise from small to large proportions. His duties have called him to every part of the State, and he is well known and esteemed where he has been. Mr. Brett has many friends in Oxford county. He is a regular exhibitor of dairy implements at the Oxford county fair.

## WEST SUMNER.

Alvin Garey has sold his house. Wm. T. Bonney and daughter visited at James Glover's in Hartford, recently. The new house of Geo. A. Chandler is raised, the body boarded and is progressing rapidly.

Mrs. E. W. Chandler and Mrs. Geo. A. Chandler went to Norway, Saturday, returning Sunday. Charlie Ryerson has gone to Paris Hill to work in the store for Mr. Thayer where he worked, last fall.

Mrs. K. P. Bowker and daughter, Mrs. H. T. Heath, went to E. E. Tuell's at West Paris, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. York and daughter from Bryant's Pond have visited Mrs. York's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hazelton.

There is to be an auction, May 20, at the farm of the late Charles Crockett to sell the stock and other personal property.

The annual meeting of the owners of the hay scales was held, May 18th, when O. G. Chandler, Geo. Packard and E. L. Gardiner were chosen directors, G. W. Heath president, Geo. Packard vice president, G. A. Chandler secretary and treasurer, M. J. Pulsifer weigher.

## MASON.

Elmer Stiles was up from Mechanic Falls, over Sunday. Rev. O. L. Stone of Newry, was the guest of Douglas Cushing, the past week. Albert Grover and Fred Wheeler of Bethel, visited at S. O. Grover's, Sunday.

The fifth case of scarlet fever broke out, last Tuesday, in the family of Daniel Mills.

Nellie Bean of Berlin, N. H. spent the Sabbath at her uncle, A. S. Bean's, and attended church.

A. S. Bean of West Bethel, was in town Sunday, with a lot of horses which he was taking to pasture.

A. W. Grover, Bethel, undertaker and funeral manager. New, up-to-date goods and special orders promptly filled.

A. S. Bean's mill has shut down for the season having out all the timber which was only about one-half the usual cut.

Addison Bean has the J. Clark Bean farm to Daniel Morrison. He reserves the Kings highway as a public right of way.

Presiding Elder Ladd and W. B. Eldridge of the M. E. church of Bethel, held quarterly meeting at the church Monday evening, and spent the night with Addison Bean's family.

Arbor day, the people having lots in the cemetery, with friends, turned out and cleaned the ground by pulling up the young trees and cleaning up generally and painting the fence.

Advertised Letters, Norway.  
Mary Quinn, Barbara McKay,  
Arthur L. Strout, Charlie Morse,  
A. M. Meserve.

## BOLSTER'S MILLS.

Guy Andrews has a new bicycle. Ira Richardson has gone to West Paris to work at Mr. Jackson's.

There seem to be very few apple trees with blossoms in this vicinity. Would like to inquire if in other places it is the same.

The school in Brackett district is stopped on account of scarlet fever. The only case at present is Grace Skillings, teacher.

Elmer Fiske of Waterford was at B. F. Skillings' last week. He and his wife are to work for A. S. Bean of Bethel, this season.

Mrs. Jane Lovejoy, formerly of this town, who has been living in Bridgton the last two years, has gone to Passaic, N. J., to live with her son.

The scholars attending North Bridge Academy from this place thought best not to come home, Friday night, as usual on account of scarlet fever.

The "boys" made an evening call on the newly married couple, B. F. Stevens and wife, Friday night. They were cordially invited in and a nice treat of cake and confectionery was served.

Our road commissioner, O. M. Chute, is doing good work with his road machine by letting them lie idle and using harrows and a good heavy brush instead where it is feasible to do so. We have better roads much earlier in the season and with less expense.

## RUMFORD.

Ida Ford has been visiting at Mrs. Tuttle's.

Ralph and Elsie Austin are sick with the mumps.

Lena Young of East Bethel is at work for D. A. Thurston.

E. P. and H. L. Elliot went to the lakes, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ellis of Auburn are visiting at Frank Delano's.

Mrs. Emily Goggin of Lewiston is visiting her mother, Mrs. Godwin.

Dr. S. C. Gordon of Portland will deliver the Memorial address at Rumford Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Marston of Andover spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. S. L. Moody.

M. V. Etheridge of Everett, Mass., will bring the body of his wife here, this week, for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Osgood and Guy Stevens of Boston arrived, Monday, to prepare for the sale of W. W. Stevens' goods on Thursday.

## WEST STONEHAM.

Alfie McKee is in quite poor health. J. C. Sawyer moved his family home, last Thursday.

The North Stoneham school commenced, May 1st, under the instruction of Blanche Adams.

The farmers are busy plowing, hauling dressing, sowing grain, peas and planting early potatoes.

Wm. Gammon had the misfortune of losing a nice two-year-old steer, this spring, by being hooked over a square ledge, the fall breaking his neck.

Dana McAllister, who has been living on J. C. Sawyer's farm, has purchased Webster Abbott's farm at West Lovell and moved there, last week Monday.

William Adams' family was called to West Lovell, last Sabbath, to attend the funeral of his grandchild, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. McAllister.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kenniston and two little sons of Lovell made her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gammon, a short visit, last Sunday. Her sister Ida returned with them to stop for a few days.

Warm days and cold frosty nights make everything rather backward. The apple trees are beginning to blossom and it looks as though we might have a good crop if the caterpillars, which seem to be quite plenty, don't destroy them all.

## SNOW'S FALLS.

Iza L. Curtis is spending a few weeks at home.

Robert S. Benson was at home from Bowdoin College over Sunday.

Nathan Pike of Newton, Mass., attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Elmina P. Fuller, last week.

Maybaskets are the order of the day, or evening, rather. One young lady thinks it a little hard that her father's dog, by a great show of hostility, should have been the means of cheating her out of a maybasket and naively remarked that she should keep Rover in the house nights, the rest of the month.

## WEST BETHEL.

Frank Ordway is doing quite a business.

Deforest Connor went to Albany, last Sunday.

A. J. Peaslee of Groverhill was in this vicinity.

Henry Cross received a visit from his granddaughter.

Harriet Farwell has now returned to her home in Bethel.

Fred Coffin of Gilead was at W. A. Farwell's, one day last week.

Vitella Davis of Bethel called on her friend Alice Ordway, recently.

Emma Briggs called on her friends in this vicinity one day, last week.

Flora Rollins has been sick for several days but is now more comfortable.

We recently received a pleasant call from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

Howard Palmer son of N. Palmer of Lovell was in this village, last Monday.

C. J. Mason has just received a lot of nice and rare plants for her flower garden.

Everett Decker and family have moved from this village to one of A. S. Beans farms on the flat.

Ray Evans of Gorham, N. H. was at Fred Ordway's, last Sunday. He came down on his wheel.

Herbert Mason, section foreman on G. T. Ry., has cleaned up around the station so its looks very much better.

Gene Prescott and wife have moved away and Frank Kendall and family have moved into the rent they left.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Pingree have fixed up a nice flower garden in front of their house in this place in the near future.

W. A. Given, blacksmith at Bean's shop, is taking a vacation for a few weeks, a pleasure which he has not enjoyed for over two years.

Elmer Allen has lost his dog, it was sick and died. It had been the pet of the family for nine years and its death caused sad feelings to the family.

Albion P. Mason is soon to commence to make repairs to his building we understand he is to take down the old part and build a new one in its place.

Frank L. Goodnow and wife, formerly residents of this place, but now of Gorham, N. H. are rejoicing over the arrival of a little daughter, this is the fifth daughter of the family.

The owner of a dog, recently received a notice that the time in which the law required that his dog should be licensed was up. He being gone his children made up the required amount and sent it in and got the license. Afterwards the little four year old boy was heard to remark that he paid a part of the dog's pension; the little girl spoke up and said they could kill our dog now for we have got him divorced.

## SUNDAY RIVER.

Will Williamson has gone to Conway, N. H.

Andrew Jackson has returned from Pittsburg, N. H.

Engene Thurlow is working for Mrs. M. E. Littlehale.

Ammi Emery, who has been very sick at Bethel, is recovering.

Dennis Kilgore of North Newry was in this place last week.

C. D. Atherton will commence enlarging his barn this week. Albert Smith of Bethel, has engaged to do the work.

Mrs. Della Sheppard who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Sarah Jackson, for the past two weeks, has returned to Kennebunk.

## PORTER.

Freeman Day lost a cow, a few days ago.

Charles Lewis and family have had the measles.

Joseph Rice and wife have been on the sick list, for a few days.

David Ridlon has two nice spring colts which he is very proud of.

Annie Towle has gone to Poland Spring to work for the summer.

Mrs. Isaac Libby is quite sick and is not expected to live but a few days.

## EAST OXFORD.

Marlena Richardson is visiting at Geo. P. Whitney's.

Wm. F. Caldwell went to Portland, last Saturday.

Fred Gurney and A. L. Goddard of Hebron were in this place, Sunday.

Annie C. and Minnie B. Caldwell were in Lewiston, Saturday, May 18th.

## ALBANY.

G. W. Willey was in town, this week.

Mrs. George Dyer of Otisfield was at Hunt's Corner, May 13.

Mrs. Inez Johnson is better. Lizzie Flint is working for her.

A. J. Grover, Bethel, professional calls at the Corner, last Sunday.

Clarence Grover of Stoneham is attending school at the Corner.

Mabel Andrews of Otisfield attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Johnson, May 13.

W. F. Grover, Bethel, undertaker and funeral manager. New, up-to-date goods and special orders promptly filled.

Daisy Cummings, not yet sixteen, is teaching school in the northwest district. She is a fine scholar and one of the best of our girls.

Mrs. Margaret Johnson, widow of the late Lyman Johnson, after a lingering and most painful illness passed away, May 11th. She was much esteemed by all. Her daughter, Mrs. E. P. Jenkins, devotedly attended her until the last.

## NORWAY LAKE.

Miss E. M. Partridge has returned to her old home.

Mrs. S. A. Stevens has returned from her visit to Auburn.

Mrs. Emery and daughter of Massachusetts are guests at C. A. Stephens'.

Mrs. F. E. Pottle and children of Norway visited at W. S. Partridge's, last week.

Mrs. Winnie Hall and little son, Elden, visited at Lucy Hall's on Frost Hill, Saturday and Sunday.

Maud Partridge, who has been at Pinehurst, N. C., since last November, arrived home, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. H. have lettings, peppergrass and the radishes of their own raising for dinner, May 7.

Mrs. Fannie Judkins of Newtonville, Mass., visited at Simon Stevens' and O. W. Partridge's, last week.

The new officers of the Christian Endeavor Society are:

President, Mrs. Frances Partridge. Vice-President, Ella Lafarier. Secretary, Mrs. Mary Partridge. Treasurer, Evelyn Partridge. Prayer meeting committee, W. S. Partridge, J. L. Partridge, W. O. Perry. Lookout committee, Janet Stephens, Grace Swan, Fred Perry. Social committee, Mrs. J. L. Partridge. Music committee, Edna Stephens.

## BUCKFIELD.

The sick about us remain quite poorly.

W. H. C. Allen of Lewiston was in town, Monday.

Gideon Ellis of Canton was the guest of G. Tilton, Monday.

Edwin Shaw of Auburn was calling on old friends, Saturday.

The Buckfield Literary Club met with Mrs. R. O. Thomas, Tuesday.

Two road machines are improving our streets, commencing in the village.

Walter Turner is building a piazza and renovating his house in other directions.

Quite a delegation of club women responded to a call of the W. C. T. U. of South Paris to be present on Tuesday.

Josiah Hutchinson, daughter, Mrs. Blossom and Mrs. Phiney of Salem are in town for the purpose of settling the estate of the late Mrs. Hutchinson.

As Dr. Hall's lecture notice for Tuesday night at South Paris was cancelled for the present the drought continues. [His appointments are apt to bring a storm.]

The funeral services of the late Charles C. Tilton of Pleasant Street, Auburn, were performed on Thursday at his home, Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker officiating. Many flowers were furnished by friends and guests. At his request his remains were taken to this place for interment. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ardon F. Tilton, grandmother, Mrs. N. A. Pulsifer, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tilton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tilton and Miss E. C. Tilton accompanied the remains to this place.

## GILEAD.

A. W. Grover, Bethel, undertaker and funeral manager. New, up-to-date goods and special orders promptly filled.

Mrs. E. F. Richardson returned from her winter's sojourn in Belmont, Mass., last Saturday. Her sister, Mrs. Southworth, from Springfield accompanied her.

On Tuesday, May 9, Porter Wright and Angus McDonald saw a bear and two cubs in the woods near the Grand Trunk track, about a mile above our village. At sight of the men and team they speedily left for the woods. It is reported that a bear was seen, some days ago, near the east end of Wild river bridge.

Wm. R. Peabody and wife were in Monday, May 8, summoned to North Bridgton, on account of the death of Mrs. Deacon Brown of that place, the mother of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. William W. Peabody of Lowell, Mass. Her sister, Mrs. E. F. Peabody, and the funeral services were held on May 9 at her late home.

## BIRTHS.

In Denmark, May, to the wife of Harlan F. Lord, a son.  
In North Bridgton, May 8, to the wife of J. Carroll Mead, a son.  
In Rumford, May 12, to the wife of Joe Potvin, a daughter.  
In Rumford Falls, May 7, to the wife of James Keenan, a son.  
In Canton Point, May 1st, to the wife of M. Williams, a daughter.  
In Greenwood, May, to the wife of Greenville Whitman, a son.  
In East Rumford, May 5, to the wife of Ed. Dizon, a daughter.  
In South Paris, May 2, to the wife of Arthur L. Dixon, a daughter.  
In West Paris, May 14, to the wife of Alton Day, a daughter.  
In Harrison, May 14, to the wife of George Ayers, a daughter. (Hazel Theresa).  
In Norway, May 14, to the wife of Geo. W. Keniston, a daughter. (Mary Ella).  
In Norway, May 10, to the wife of Ernest A. Bradbury, a son.  
In Kezar Falls, May 12, to the wife of Bert Fox, a son.  
In Fryeburg Center, May 10, to the wife of David Bell, a daughter.

## MARRIAGES.

In Bridgton, May 8, by Rev. D. B. Holt, John Milton Clark of Harrison and Lottie Asenath Foster of Bridgton.  
In Harrison, May 8, by Rev. Frank P. Sawyer of Oxford, Benjamin E. Stevens and Mrs. Emma J. Rogers, both of Harrison.  
In North Bridgton, May 4, by Rev. A. G. Cobb of Worcester, Mass.  
In Deering, May 6, Francis C. Wood of Raynolds, N. H. and Florence G. Farrar of Gratton.  
In Denmark, May 13, by Rev. C. F. Sargent, Lester Hill and Nettie Chabourea, both of Brownfield.

## DEATHS.

In West Lovell, May 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. H. McAllister, aged 2 years, 1 day.  
In Norway, May 12, Mrs. Mabel Kilgore Willard, aged 2 years.  
In Byron, May 12, Daphna Bancroft, aged 59 years, 10 months, 8 days.  
In Denmark, May 9, Charles E. Smith, aged 75 years.  
In Harrison, May 8, Benjamin S. Wheeler, aged 79 years, 6 months.  
In Norway, May 8, Ralph S. Freeman, aged 81 years, 4 months, 27 days.  
In West Denmark, May 9, Charles E. Smith, aged 71 years.

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Oxford County W. C. T. U.

brought in, and a lovely band of bright blossoms and green foliage graced the front of the church. Several young ladies of the church acted as ushers and did the work with ease and grace that was a comfort to the audience. Three-fourths of the audience were women.

Singing was by a quintette choir—Hattie M. Leach, soprano; Sadie Brown, alto; Fred L. Chesley and Clayton Churchill, tenors; Loy Eyster, bass; Mrs. John W. Chute, organist. The meeting opened with them singing the anthem "Hark, Hark, My Soul." In this as in other selections they were at their best and we thoroughly enjoyed listening to them. Master Ralph Fenfold sang a solo, "In the Old New Hampshire Village." There is surely something in hereditary, and this boy bids fair to surpass his mother as a singer. During the evening the choir sang to the tune of "Inward," "Christian Soldiers," "Isabel Shirley's."

OXFORD COUNTY W. C. T. U. SONG.  
Dear old Oxford County, with thy mountains grand,  
And the sparkling rivers fairest in the land,  
Many sons and daughters, who have won renown,  
Born within thy borders share with thee thy crown.

Chorus.  
May the flag of purity, standard of the right,  
Wave aloft from East to West held by ribbons bright;  
Rare the gems and minerals thou hast brought to light;  
May the jewel, Virtue, shine with radiance bright;  
God and Home and Country have thy loving thought;  
Then shall peace and plenty ever be thy lot.

Rev. Miss Angell conducted the devotions, reading a part of nineteenth Psalm, and asking the blessing of Almighty God.

The president, Mrs. Chapman, introduced the speaker of the evening, Mrs. Anna Sargent Hunt of Augusta, state superintendent of the W. C. T. U. department of scientific temperance instruction in the schools. Mrs. Hunt wore a plain dress of dark green cloth trimmed with velvet, and with a white silk vest edged with lace. She held the closest attention of the audience for 51 minutes. She gave an exhaustive review of the preventive work done by teaching the youth of our land the dangers of alcohol and narcotics, and made an earnest plea for the saving of the rising generation from the curse of intemperance.

Miss Angell pronounced the benediction. Wednesday morning, the convention resumed with worship led by Mrs. Hunt. Election of officers resulted as follows: President—Mrs. M. B. Chapman, Bethel; Vice President—Mrs. M. Pierce, Hiram; Annie Cross, Bethel. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Jennie Kimball, East Hiram; Recording Secretary—Mrs. Emma Chandler, Treasurers—Mrs. M. A. Mason, Bethel; Mrs. M. A. Oxnard, Norway.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS.  
Scientific Temperance Instruction—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Bethel.  
Homes for homeless children—Mrs. M. A. Oxnard, Norway.  
Literature and agent for publications—Isabel Shirley, Bethel.  
Legislation, etc.—Mrs. Annie Sweet, South Paris.  
Evangelistic work—Annette Kimball, Hiram; Juvenile work, etc.—Mrs. Emily Emmons, West Paris.  
Sabbath school work and Sabbath observances—Mrs. Cyrene Lindblad, Bethel.  
County fair—Florence Whitcomb, Norway.  
Narcotics—Mrs. Helen Crooker, Norway.  
Social purity, etc.—Mrs. Annie Sweet, South Paris.  
Lumbermen help—Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney, Brownfield.  
Flower mission—Isabel Stickney, Brownfield.  
Prison, jail and almshouse—Mrs. Emory Bonney, South Paris.  
Mercy—Phoebe A. Buxton, Bethel.  
Franchise—Miss J. Kimball, Hiram.  
Peace and arbitration—Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Norway.  
Charity—Mrs. Martha Anderson, Norway.  
Juvenile temple—Mrs. L. T. Barker, Brownfield.  
Hygiene and heredity—Mrs. Hiram Gatchell, Brownfield.

Mrs. L. T. Barker of Bethel read a scholarly paper on the work of Frances E. Willard as an educator. The reports of department superintendents were resumed. Work among the lumbermen, Mrs. Jordan of Bethel; juvenile and young women's work, Mrs. Emmons of West Paris; Homes for homeless children, Mrs. Andrews of Bethel; Peace and arbitration, the president. In all of these lines of work there has been commendable progress.

Mrs. Anna Sargent Hunt made some remarks about ways and means of promoting the temperance teaching in the schools. Mrs. Wilder supplemented the remarks.

Voted to send a message of love and condolence to Mrs. Hunt of Pennsylvania, World's superintendent of the department of temperance instruction, who has recently been bereaved of her only son.

Mrs. Emory Bonney of South Paris gave an interesting paper on "Where Our Children Get their Ideas." A Noontide prayer was conducted by Mrs. L. M. Sweet.

The ladies of the church entertained the convention at dinner. Everybody knows what such a dinner is—baked beans and pastry—and this was one of the best. No true Yankee ever goes hungry when so good a meal is provided.

Wednesday afternoon, the closing session began with worship, conducted by Mrs. Albert Patrick of Harrison.

Mrs. Emmons of West Paris presented greetings from the head of all the Unions, Mrs. Stevens.

The committee on resolutions presented their report, pledging anew their fidelity to temperance and kindred means of advancing their work; and thanking the people of South Paris for courtesies, and to the press.

Mrs. Albert Patrick of Harrison was called upon to speak for her department. She is state superintendent of the department of hygiene and heredity.

Remarks on the subject of purity and work on that line were made by Miss Whitcomb of Norway.

Miss Annie C. Bagley of Norway, superintendent of the State department of Loyal Temperance Legion was introduced and told of that line of work.

An interesting paper on Law enforcement written by Mrs. E. A. G. Stickney of Brownfield was read by the secretary. Rev. T. J. Ramsdell of South Paris was called upon for remarks upon the subject and spoke briefly, as a member of the Maine Christian Civic League. Rev. I. A. Bean also responded to a call to say something, by exhorting to enforce the law. He suggested further that a child who knows not parental restraint at home cannot be expected to become a law-abiding citizen.

Closed with prayer by Rev. I. A. Bean.

The President's Address.  
DEAR SISTERS AND COMRADES IN THE W. C. T. U. WORK.—It is fitting at this time to take a retrospective glance and to encourage ourselves by seeing something of what has been accomplished during the past year. Our hearts have been gladdened by the reviving of two of our

largest and most efficient Unions, and an added membership of 62 active and 2 honorary members—as one result of Mrs. Seamans' labors among us. I say one result, for the influence of her instructive public lectures, her helpful talks and the example of her consecrated life cannot be summed up and told in words. And much less can the good influence of our several Unions be gathered up and estimated. The reports of the Supts. of the various departments can only indicate the lines along which special effort has been made, and give a brief summary of its tangible work.

In looking over the records of the Convention since the W. C. T. U. work was organized in this county in 1887, I found there had been Unions at Denmark, Keegan Falls, Fryeburg, Oxford, Andover and Rumford Falls, which no longer exist. On writing to these towns to learn the cause of this decadence and see if they could not be encouraged to renew their allegiance, I found the same story repeated in varying forms. "We have too many other organizations—there is no time for this."

Now we all know that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the pioneer in woman's work, and the forerunner in the multitudinous women's clubs of to-day. They have all sprung up within the last quarter of a century, and are multiplying every year, so that every little village and hamlet has its clubs, literary, historic, scientific, musical, etc., and its whist and tennis clubs. And every church organization finds an efficient co-worker in its denominational club evolved from the old-time sewing circle. Setting aside these aids to the financial machinery of our churches, all the other clubs—however pleasant, instructive, elevating, refining and enjoyable—are centered in their own membership. It is for themselves they exist. They reach out no helping hand to those around them.

There is no other organization which has so high ideals and aims at so broad results as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Its scope as given in the National statement of its principles is "the educating the young, forming a better public sentiment, reforming the drinking classes, transforming by the power of Divine grace those who are enslaved by alcohol, and securing the entire abolition of the liquor traffic."

It has, however, through the clear vision which has come to its membership of the basic unity of all reform forces and the inter-relation of each evil with all other evils, widened its scope until there is no wrong against which it has not lifted up its voice, no good with which it is not allied. It is the chief factor in State campaigns for statutory prohibition and constitutional amendments. It began the movement for Scientific Temperance Instruction in the public schools, and has been instrumental in securing laws, Executive Orders, and resolutions of the States, and secured Congressional legislation by which all the territories and the District of Columbia are brought under the same beneficent statutes. We should consider too its work in the children in its Sunday schools, Loyal Temperance Legions and Kindergarten; its efforts to influence college students and young women, training and organizing them for a philanthropic life, and its evangelistic work for non-church goers, for railroad employes, soldiers, lumbermen, miners, especially for drink- ing men of all classes; and its efforts to reach paupers and prisoners. It has also championed the cause of woman's ballot, the labor movement and social purity. In fact, it reaches out helping hands in forty different directions, and it is permeating public sentiment through innumerable channels.

Is there not work enough to satisfy the ambition and energy of every philanthropic woman? I do not wish to be misunderstood as narrowly condemning women's clubs. I rejoice in everything that tends to educate and expand a woman's mind, to widen her views of life, to broaden her sympathies and refine her mind and heart. But while she is seeking these things for herself, at the same time she has a duty toward others; for we none of us live to ourselves, and in many ways applied to warning, "these things ought ye to have done and not to have left the other undone."

The motherly heart of this organization is proved by the earnestness of its efforts for little children to save them from the evils of parental influences, by knowledge of parental influence, by fully understanding the wonderful influence of her own mind, heart and physical condition upon her embryo child. The condition upon her embryo child. The importance of this teaching is painfully emphasized to some of us by the experiences of our own lives. Reforming men and women, who are given over to evil habits, is a slow process in the regeneration of the world, but by a proper education of the children evil will become eliminated.

The W. C. T. U. has done a great deal in educating public sentiment all along the different lines of reform. It is the sentiment which the strong temperance people of our nation that in our recent war "army saloons" should have been allowed. It is affirmed that in all the stories of army mismanagement, a drunkard, an officer intoxicated, or a soldier, or an officer intoxicated, are the dozen of them in that condition, are the explanations of failure and disaster! Shrewd business men now employ only men of temperate habits in places of responsibility. The U. S. Commissioner of Labor sent out letters of inquiry to 7,000 business establishments employing over 2,000,000 men to ascertain the relation of drink habits to labor, and had replies from 5,383 stating they employed only temperate men, assigning as reasons, "to guard against accidents" and "the unreliability of drinking men."

The changes made on our Grand Trunk R. R., this last year, resulting in the sale of intemperate men. And the service of intemperate men on all our great lines of travel. The public safety demands it. And also corporations will not risk the financial losses drunken employees entail. The complicated machinery of the present time requires clear, active brains and steady nerves to operate it with safety.

While the evil and disastrous effects of alcoholic drink is recognized by every intelligent person, it seems strange to our womanish understanding that its manufacture should be allowed by a Christian Nation! And yet our Government enters into partnership with the brewers and distillers, having a revenue tax on all which it is manufactured, and for money, licenses men to deal it out to the public! But when harmful food, and beef for instance, is sold, the whole nation is righteously indignant and a systematic course of inquiry is at once instigated with a view of bringing the

offenders to merited punishment. And we have our Gov. Inspectors for milk and other food products and whatever is found unhealthful is destroyed.

Could any conscientious Board of Health fail to condemn all products of the brewery and distillery, and tobacco in all its forms, as unhealthful and dangerous to those who consume them? And our Christian Nation is already sending ship loads of rum and beer to Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines "in the interests of trade."

With regard to the tobacco habit, I wish to quote the opinion of some of Maine's well known educators:

Pres. Chase of Bates College says:—"It injures the user's health, lessens his mental energy, lowers his ideals and blunts his moral sensibilities." Pres. Hyde of Bowdoin College says:—"I have known students in nearly every class in college, who have left college with nerves unstrung, power of persistence effort destroyed and aspiration for a life of usefulness dulled and deadened as a direct result of constant and excessive smoking."

The Prin. of Bangor High School, H. K. White, says:—"In an experience of 22 years with high school scholars, I have never known a boy to form a habit of smoking without utterly unfitting himself for school work."

I saw in statistics of 1890 that the tobacco bill of this nation was \$800,000,000 or \$0.50 per individual, while that same year the expense of the nation for public education was \$90,000,000 or \$1.52 per capita, against \$9.50 for tobacco, and \$14.28 per capita for opium and liquor. Thus making \$1,500,000,000 worse than wasted—a million times worse than wasted!

That was the direct cost of the rum and tobacco for one year, but who can estimate the indirect cost, the power of the nation the loss of physical and mental power, and the time lost, the loss of labor, sickness caused by the habits, the crimes perpetrated, the insanity created and the pauperism?

Life insurance statistics show that alcohol shortens the life of the user nearly one-half. The total abstainer has an average of 64 years of life, while the drinker of alcoholic liquors has an average of only about 35 years.

The Supreme Court of the United States has voiced the opinion that "The police power of the State is fully competent to regulate the liquor business, to mitigate its evils, or to suppress it entirely."

Why then is not this done? Is it because public sentiment does not support the action? How is it in our own communities, which are miniatures of the nation? Are people living up to the requirements of the laws of our State? If not, who is responsible? The weak and cowardly excuse of Cain, "Am I my brother's keeper?" is still the shield behind which ease loving souls seek to hide. The question, "How far we are partakers of other people's sins?" is one which it would be well for us each to ponder.

Women, though not having the right of franchise, can do much toward remedying public evils; for they can and do mould public sentiment in a large degree. No new laws are needed to give women this privilege. It is universally conceded that a woman's tongue is her inherited right! So whatever evils we deplore, we can if we will make them, in that public sentiment against them will become an unwritten law, harder to evade than the statutes lawyers are too prone to interpret to suit their clients.

For illustration, take the tobacco habit. If all the responsible women and girls would show contempt for the weakness and folly of using this insidious narcotic, how soon would there be a reformation in regard to it! No self-respecting young man would begin to use, and a large proportion of the young men especially would make strenuous efforts to overcome the habit. We can always feel tolerant toward the aged. By whatever habits they may have become enslaved, to those we expect them to be in bondage, and we cannot expect they are freed from the infirmities of the flesh. But is it for the young we would raise the strong barrier of public opinion against everything which will harm them physically, mentally and spiritually.

Then too, with regard to the social purity question. When every decent woman and pure minded girl shall recognize the indelible Scarlet Letter on every man of impure life as clearly as they do on his victims, then and then only can we expect this evil to cease.

When Nehemiah was filled with zeal to repair the walls of Jerusalem, his beloved city, he set every man to build "over against his own house" and soon the city was encompassed by a strong, high wall. And so the great army of the W. C. T. U., each working to repair the ruin in her own vicinity, in union with the thousands working all over the country, will eventually build this nation in justice, temperance, purity and righteousness.

Do you not suppose those Israelites were cheered and gladdened day by day by hearing one from another of how work was progressing, on the various sides, beyond the limit of their vision? I apprehend that one great cause of dormant and dead Unions is that they were too self centered and introspective. The results of their own work assumed so small and unimportant a position to so small and unimportant a thing that it was not worth the trouble. While from a larger knowledge of the work, they would have seen themselves important factors of the whole, and their work would, the defenses of their own homes insure!

Every white ribbon is a silent protest, not only against intemperance, the tobacco habit, impurity, profanity and Sabbath desecration, but against everything else which a boy or girl feels to be wrong. You will see in their actions, if you closely observe them. So the very fact of such an organization in a town is a defence against a host of evils, as well as an educator of public sentiment.

And another source of great inspiration is our convention, this meeting together and looking into the faces of those who are co-workers in a common cause and exchanging ideas and experience. And if we find inspiration and satisfaction in our little county conventions, how much more in our State and National Conventions! I am glad our State Convention will be held this year, in Portland, which will be so convenient near to us and the journey so inexpensive that all will feel that they can go, for when we have once tested its helpfulness we shall be willing to make some sacrifice to gain its benefits.

We are justly proud of our beloved State President who so unanimously chosen to fill the high position which she now occupies, and we are now assured that her interest in the white ribbons of



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Maine is not diminished because of these new duties and responsibilities, and that she looks with confident expectation to an increase of at least 500 in our membership and to faithful, persistent work. We do not want her disappointed. In a recent letter she expressed her regrets that she could not be with us in

this convention, as she had been so many times in this county, and added:—"Will you please present to your convention a greeting of love and good wishes from me, mingled with the prayer that this year may be one of great advance in all our departments of work."

Mrs. Stevens recommends that we "emphasize the total abstinence feature and try to secure at our public meetings signers to the total abstinence pledge, as well as new members to our society." The wisdom of this suggestion will commend itself to every Union and we trust the presidents and secretaries will see that it is carried out, as we also will try to do at this convention.

The motto of the W. C. T. U. Army of Maine is "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." Laboring with reliance on this Omnipotent Aid our work will surely be established.

FRYEBURG.  
Frank L. Mark has returned to New York.

Miss Eaton spent Sunday at her home in Stow.

Mrs. Emily Osgood has returned from a visit in Bridgton.

The band gave an enjoyable out of door concert, Wednesday evening.

Judge Foster will deliver the address before Grover Post, G. A. R., May 30.

H. H. Burnham, jeweler, has opened a store in the Willey building on Smith street.

Rev. C. F. Morse of St. Johnsbury, Vt., spoke to the Christian Endeavor society at the vestry, Sunday evening.

The Chautauqua programme for the present season offers a fine list of speakers and excellent concerts. Among the speakers are Hon. W. W. Stetson, Rev. Lyman Abbott, Mrs. Marvel Loomis Todd, Prof. C. D. Woods and G. E. Graham, who was an eye witness to the destruction of Cervera's fleet. There will also be the usual classes in physical culture, athletics, chorus singing, photography, botany, Bible study, etc. There will be as in the past year, an agricultural day, public school day and woman's club day.

Andrew J. Hill and Mrs. Amanda Whitman of Haverhill, Mass., have been visiting their father at Fryeburg.

It may be a gratification to his excellency, the governor of New Hampshire, to learn that in at least one of the rural districts of his state, "Frag End" of Conway, so-called, a Sunday-school was started with an encouraging attendance, last Sunday, in the new Union hall just over the border. They have a library of a couple of hundred good books by the generosity of the Union Social Circle which consists largely of West Fryeburg people. Wax!

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It is true that advertising will not put merit into poor merchandise, but good merchandise often becomes poor for the want of good advertising.

**NORWAY AND VICINITY.**  
Dr. Annette Bennett has moved from Home block into Beal block and has the tenement formerly occupied by Mrs. Margaret Favor.

A. May of West Milan was in Berlin, Wednesday, on business and made The Reporter office a pleasant call. He also incidentally remarked that he remembered the first paper that was brought into that town, the Norway Advertiser.

Sunday evening, there was a large congregation in the Congregational church, the occasion being the sermon before the high school graduating class. Singing was by the choir. The pastor, Rev. E. S. Rideout, read the third chapter of Proverbs, and chose for his text Luke ix, 57—"Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest." The sermon was in Mr. Rideout's practical every-day style, and was an appeal to the scholars to have and exercise that purpose which cannot be swerved.

Paint Your Buggy for 75 cts. With Devore's Gloss Carriage Paint, ready for use; 8 colors. Gives a high gloss, equal to new. Sold by C. B. Cummings & Sons. 14-26

Freeland Howe, esq., is at the lakes on his annual fishing trip.

Five young men got tipped over in a rowboat on Pennessseevassee, Sunday.

C. B. Cummings & Sons have been repairing the "Joel Crocker house" stable.

Mrs. I. F. Titcomb who has been very sick for three weeks is now dangerously worse.

Mrs. Charles Smiley is again singing alto with the Congregational church choir.

Fred O. Stearns was up from Portland over Sunday. He is attending Shaw's business college.

**A Forest Blaze.**  
A fire got started in the underbrush on the north side of the Waterford road near the Norway town farm, last Friday, and burnt over a good many acres. It looked very much like rain and in fact it did rain, Thursday evening, and Mr. Knight who lives on the Gary place burnt some brush and on the following morning the fire caught from this.

The red schoolhouse was saved though the fire burnt round it and the windows were taken out and put in the frog ponds. Word was sent to the village and C. B. Cummings & Sons' crew of men and others went to fight fire. The blaze was got under control at about four o'clock and perhaps spread over fifty acres of land.

E. G. Allen and wife of New York stopped at the Beal's House, Friday night, en route for their summer home in Sweden. Mr. Allen is a native of Sweden and as he said, "I am a boy at the old farm on which I was born 49 years ago to-morrow." Mr. Allen has expended considerable money on the old place and has a very pleasant summer home.

Dr. George M. Twitchell of Augusta, editor of the Maine Farmer, was in town, Saturday, and called on the Advertiser. In the afternoon, he attended the meeting of Norway Grange, and addressed the members. Mr. Twitchell is a pleasant man to meet, and an interesting public speaker. We enjoyed conversation with him, and the Grangers tell us that he made a good speech.

With the compliments of the Advance Publishing Co. of Chicago, we received a copy of the latest book by Rev. William Curtis Stiles. It is entitled "A Matter of Business and Other Stories." The stories were written with a purpose—to illustrate the practical workings of Christian dealings with our fellowmen. Mr. Stiles has made them interesting too, and we heartily congratulate him on his success as an author. We take pride in it too, for he is a Norway boy. This work sells for 25 cents in paper and 75 cents in cloth, postpaid.

The Hallowell News says: The new landlord of the Hallowell House, O. A. Kneeland, so well known to the traveling men of the several New England states, arrived in town, Wednesday. Since his taking possession the house has been patronized to nearly its full capacity, and on one night when the hour for retiring arrived every room in the large house was found to be occupied and extra beds had to be provided for some.

While perhaps landlord Kneeland may not want it said, that the full register pages are due to his general popularity with the travelling public, it can be said, nevertheless, that the new management begins most auspiciously.

Mr. Kneeland has been in the hotel business twenty-seven years and with this experience a successful experience as it is, he can hardly be else in the Hallowell House than the right man in the right place.

Though more recently from the Beal's House in Norway, where he built up a prosperous trade, he also has been equally fortunate in other New England states and at present is sole owner of a fine summer hotel in Harrison.

A general air of prosperity pervades the establishment, since his coming, and the house may be said to have now put itself on the list of paying institutions.

Mr. Kneeland is not only a good landlord but a business man.

**Letter to Merritt Welch.**

Norway, Me.  
Dear Sir: No merchant wants to be shabby—What does he mean by shabby? He may mean his clothes. Why is shabby for one is dressed up for another. He may mean his carriage and pair—he may not have any carriage and pair. He may mean his house, out-houses and fences. That's what we mean. No merchant wants his house and barn and door-yard fence—if he has such a thing as a door-yard fence—to go shabby. Shabby means crying for paint; and crying for paint is destruction. The cheapest way to be handsome and prosperous, as to one's paint, is Devore lead and zinc. It is twice as good as lead and oil, lasts twice as long. Besides a merchant would rather not make a mistake in a matter of business. Devore is economy; anything else is waste.

Yours truly,  
F. W. Devore & Co.

**Eastern Oxford Christian Endeavor Local Union** will meet at the Congregational church, some time in the latter part of June.

**Norway Municipal Court.**

Jacob McKean of Paris is in trouble again. Saturday, Sheriff James R. Tucker brought him into court, on a charge of assault and battery on one of his neighbors, Samuel E. Marshall. The trouble arose over a fence.

At the trial the fact came out that McKean threatened to kill Mr. Marshall. McKean was required to furnish \$400 bonds to keep the peace for a year. As he couldn't do it, he was committed to jail.

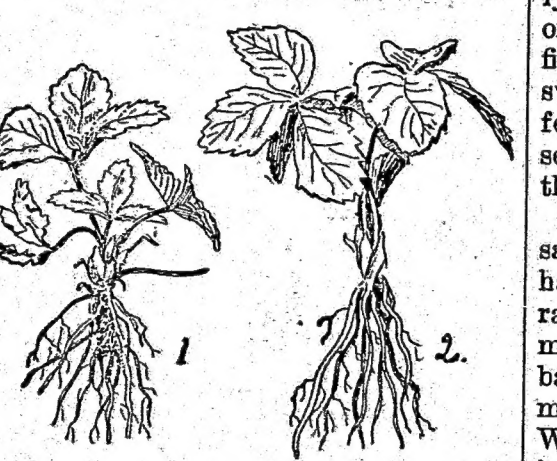
A chorus of eighteen voices has been organized in Dixfield and Charles Walker chosen leader. Much may be expected from this chorus, as it is composed of some of the best of Dixfield's well known singers. It is not decided yet whether they will join the Maine Festival chorus or not. They meet, Friday evenings, in Music Hall.

**FARM & GARDEN**

**PLANTING STRAWBERRIES.**

**Desirable Plants and the Right Depth For Setting Them.**

All strawberry growers are aware that it is only the plants formed by the runners that should be used for the new plantation. These have yellowish white roots, and can thus be distinguished from the older plants, which have a long stem, at the lower end of which are black or brown roots (Fig. 1), many



of which are dead or broken. If plants of good quality, which can be depended upon to give large crops, are desired, those selected for planting should have good crowns and well developed roots (Fig. 2). As a rule only the first plants on the runners should be used.

Dealers in strawberry plants, when picking up the plants after they have been dug, generally remove the dead or diseased leaves and runners, and at the same time straighten out the roots and the remaining leaves. Sometimes the setting of the plants is necessarily delayed until late in the season, when, if the air happens to be dry, there will be great danger of the wilting and perhaps the killing of the plants from the heat and dryness of the soil and air. Under these conditions it will be advisable to cut off the leaves except one or two of the smaller ones, as by thus reducing their surface the evaporation will be lessened. When plants have been purchased and have become dry or heated in the bundles and either place them in water up to the crowns in some cool, shady place, or to heel them in, so that the soil will be in contact with roots of each plant in moist soil, where they can be shaded and occasionally sprinkled. In a few days the plants that have not been killed will recover.

When the plants are being set, equal care should be taken that the roots are not exposed. Should the given ground be so dry that the soil be dry, a pint or so of water should be given each plant before the planting has been completed, this will permit of the drawing of dry soil about it after the water has soaked in, and the baking of the soil about the plant will be prevented. In setting the plants a spade, dibble or trowel may be used. When the dibble or spade is used, a cut is made in the ground to the depth of six or eight inches, and the soil is pressed back in either direction by a side movement of the handle. In the opening thus formed the roots are placed, care being taken that they are not cramped and that they are so spread out that the soil can be brought in contact with each of them. When large plants, with a thick mat of roots are used, this is particularly necessary, as otherwise the soil would only be in contact with a layer of roots upon the outside of this bundle.

There is also considerable danger of loss if attention is not given to the depth at which the plants are set; they should be set at such a depth that the bud will be just above the surface as at C in the second cut, for if deeper than this there will be danger that, especially on heavy soil, the bud cannot make its way through the soil, while if not deep enough a part of the roots will be exposed and the plant will be very likely to dry out. If placed perhaps a quarter or half inch deeper than it grows in the field, this will be sufficient to allow for the setting of the plant and will leave it in about the right position. In planting with the trowel, the same method may be used as with the dibble or spade, but with a few plants may think it will pay to take somewhat more pains with the planting. A large hole is dug, and in the bottom of this a conical elevation is left, around and upon which the roots are spread.

After placing the plants at the right depth the soil is pressed against them with the dibble or hands, so that it will be in close contact with the roots.

**How to Make Graham Pies.**  
Into a pint of graham flour stir one teaspoonful salt. Wet with boiling water enough to make a stiff paste. Roll this very thin and cut into cakes about three inches in diameter. Put into these a spoonful of apple sauce and fold them. Bake on tin sheets.

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When the plants are first plucked they should be dipped in boiling water and left there for a few seconds. This instantly checks growth and kills all life. Then let them dry a few moments, and they are ready for pressing and mounting. Plants treated in this way will retain their shape and colors for years. All botanical specimens for museums are dipped in boiling water before mounting.

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To a pint of warm new milk add a teaspoonful of prepared rennet. Let it stand and then strain through a piece of muslin. This can often be taken when milk cannot and is a useful drink in feverish complaints.

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soil is sandy a foot may be placed at either side of the plant. The continued and repeated pressure with the feet about the plant, as practiced by some, is not advisable, according to Professors Taft and Gladden, who treat of strawberry culture in a recent bulletin of the Michigan station, from which the foregoing extract is made.

**To Prevent Swarming.**

R. C. Aikin says there are two ways: "Have the queen and bees in one section of the hive just as the flow comes on, making a new or strengthening weak ones with the brood or by excluding the queen from part of the hive ten days prior to the flow; then at the beginning of the flow take the queen and unselected brood to a new stand and give the bees and sealed brood on the old stand a ripe cell or virgin queen." —Progressive Beekeeper.

**FOOD FOR CHILDREN.**

**How to Feed the Little Ones to Keep Them Healthy.**

As soon as teeth begin to come, saliva begins to be secreted and food more concentrated, then simple milk is not only permissible, but desirable. Go slowly with the new dietary and watch the movements. Allow such and as much as does not change markedly the color and consistency of these out of the normal. It is the identical rule that obtains in feeding young calves. If things go wrong, move back to or toward milk, or milk and long boiled strained gruels, or a tested baby food. But ordinarily it is safe, to give meat juice, soft boiled egg, scraped ripe apple or peach, orange and grape juice, other fruits baked or stewed, potato sparingly, cream and butter moderate.

W. broad, soups and very small portions of tender beef and chicken, chopped fine. Seedy fruits, hard or fibrous fruits, sweet dishes, jellies and the like, coffee, baked meats, pies, rich cake, preserves—these are the class of articles that will cause regret.

It is thoughtlessness in allowing, say, sausage or doughnuts to reach a baby's hands and mouth that leads to trouble, rather than misjudgment, where any mother sets out seriously to give her baby only what she finds (by the movements) day by day, it can do well on.

Where milk (always to be continued, in some form, as a liberal constituent) is not reliable it often will be by beating up an egg, taking half, filling the cup up with milk and salting and sugaring a little. —New Voice.

**How to Make Sauce For Chops.**  
A hot sauce for chops is made as follows: Oil an ounce of butter, stir in gradually a dessertspoonful of made mustard and a good pinch of cayenne. Chop finely a few chillies and add to the above. Mix all together and pour over the meat. Another sauce: Pour some sliced onions in dripping till they are brown, add some brown sauce and stew all together for a few minutes. Pass all through a hair sieve, add a squeeze of lemon and serve.

**How to Detect Caterpillars?**  
If one would raise fruit the trees must be cared for. The experience of last year in the caterpillar-infested districts of the State ought to have been worth something to the owners of orchards. Certainly it was there found that the ordinary methods of destruction by hand work were entirely inadequate to the task. This was learned after a desperate and expensive struggle with the enemy, and too late to save the foliage of the trees. The expense was incurred, yet the trees, after being stripped, started. It can now be pretty certainly determined whether these caterpillars are appearing in dangerous numbers. If so, the best course will be to go to the enemies with heroic measures from the start. Spray thoroughly with Paris green, and repeat after heavy rains, till the trees are in blossom. If the work is started at once and is thoroughly done, by the time the blossoms open the hungry horde of leaf eaters will have all perished. This will not be, expensive, while it is the only way to do a clean job. Full directions for making mixtures go with all spraying outfits. —Maine Farmer.

**Fredella Strout of White Oak Hill** is working in Norway.

H. C. Baxter & Bro. have leased the Oxbow Valley sweet corn canning factory at Kew Falls, while A. H. Burnham of Bridgton has leased the old Flint factory at Cornish.

Bulletin No. 3 for 1899 of the State Board of Agriculture is noted to barn construction. It ought to be worth a good deal to farmers contemplating building or remodeling their barns.

The State assessors have appointed meetings with Oxford County assessors as follows: For southwestern Oxford county at Fryeburg, June 13; for central Oxford at South Paris, June 14; for northern Oxford at Rumford Falls, June 16.

Bird S. Coler, Comptroller of New York City, is the author of an important article on the House of Public Charity, which will appear in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for June. Mr. Coler, whose position has enabled him to see at close range the actual working of the present system, is very emphatic in his condemnation of it.

The ice in Rangely Lake went out the 8th and 9th of May this year. The years since 1882 are as follows: 1882, May 12; 1883, May 14; 1884, May 13; 1885, May 15; 1886, May 3; 1887, May 13; 1888, May 21; 1889, April 30; 1890, May 3; 1891, May 10; 1892, May 4; 1893, May 20; 1894, May 2; 1898, May 7; 1899, May 9; 1897, May 12; 1898, May 13; 1899, May 9.

Elmer R. Snowman, the Rangely guide, who was arrested last spring for guiding without a license and found guilty by a jury at the September term of the Supreme court, has secured the case will be heard at the July session of the law court here. The means, a finish fight to test the constitutionality of the much-talked-of guides law, Snowman applied this month for a license but was refused. Wealthy sportsmen are understood to be behind the guide in what cannot be other than an expensive test of the law.

**FOR SALE.** Fine, heavy single harness, 1 wagon, two-seated wagon, 2 cows, 1 horse, and North Norway. 20-22. A. H. Pack.

**Teachers' Convention.**

Program of the Oxford County Convention at Canton, Friday and Saturday, May 19 and 20:

Reception and assignment of teachers. 100 p. m., Session at Village School.

Invocation. Rev. W. W. Carver Address of Welcome. Hon. J. P. Swasey Response. Hon. F. S. Hanson Music.

Teaching Experiences. Robert L. Ten Auburn Nature Study. Nancy Rankin, Canton Books vs. Teacher. Prin. W. E. Sargent, Hebron Method in History. H. H. Knowlton, Paris Principles of Discipline. W. M. Marr, Dixfield How to Obtain Practical Results from Arithmetic. Juliet Kimball, Rumford Music in the Ungraded Schools.

Question Box. Conducted by State Superintendent W. W. Stetson. Friday Evening, 8 o'clock, Opera House. 115 Lecture. Hon. W. W. Stetson Following the lecture will be reception to the State Superintendent and visiting teachers.

Saturday, 8.45, Session at Village School. Why Teach? Principal C. W. Cary, Rumford Language in the Grammar Grades. Jennie Tirrell, Paris School Improvement League. Ethel Hamlin, Bangor The State of our Schools in the High School. Principal P. P. Gerrish, Paris The Teacher and the Community.

Dr. A. C. Whitman, Buckfield Education and Life. Supt. A. P. Wagg, Auburn Cultivation of Expression. Canaan Question Box. Conducted by Supt. Stetson. Friday Afternoon, 1 o'clock.

Free entertainment will be furnished to visiting teachers except that for the sake of convenience a public dinner will be served on Friday. The cost of this will be twenty-five cents per plate. There will be special rates on the railroad.

**CANTON.**  
A. G. Staples has been giving his buildings a new coat of paint.

Mrs. Hiram Ellis of Rumford Falls has visited her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Ellis.

Hon. S. W. Matthews will be the guest of State Assessor, Hon. Otis Hayford, while in town.

L. W. Smith has bought the stand formerly owned by Alvarado J. Hayford, and is making repairs thereon.

Wallace Allen and family have moved from Rumford Falls back to Canton, as his work on the railroad necessitates making his home here.

Thomas Reynolds has recently had some old miners looking at his mica mines. They say there is nothing in the United States equal to it. The mines are thought to be worth working for the feldspar alone. Mr. Reynolds has already taken out some twelve different kinds of minerals. It is expected, this season, toward developing the mines.

The trustees of the Androscoggin Valley Agricultural Society will hold a meeting on the society's grounds, at an early day, to look over the repairs and improvements to be made and decide about June and August repairs. The track wintered finely and although never an early spring track, will be ready to jog on in a few days. The buildings stood the winter snows and winds much better than a year ago, and the track and grounds can be put in first class shape at a comparatively small expense.

**How About that Caterpillar?**  
If one would raise fruit the trees must be cared for. The experience of last year in the caterpillar-infested districts of the State ought to have been worth something to the owners of orchards. Certainly it was there found that the ordinary methods of destruction by hand work were entirely inadequate to the task. This was learned after a desperate and expensive struggle with the enemy, and too late to save the foliage of the trees. The expense was incurred, yet the trees, after being stripped, started. It can now be pretty certainly determined whether these caterpillars are appearing in dangerous numbers. If so, the best course will be to go to the enemies with heroic measures from the start. Spray thoroughly with Paris green, and repeat after heavy rains, till the trees are in blossom. If the work is started at once and is thoroughly done, by the time the blossoms open the hungry horde of leaf eaters will have all perished. This will not be, expensive, while it is the only way to do a clean job. Full directions for making mixtures go with all spraying outfits. —Maine Farmer.

**Fredella Strout of White Oak Hill** is working in Norway.

H. C. Baxter & Bro. have leased the Oxbow Valley sweet corn canning factory at Kew Falls, while A. H. Burnham of Bridgton has leased the old Flint factory at Cornish.

Bulletin No. 3 for 1899 of the State Board of Agriculture is noted to barn construction. It ought to be worth a good deal to farmers contemplating building or remodeling their barns.

The State assessors have appointed meetings with Oxford County assessors as follows: For southwestern Oxford county at Fryeburg, June 13; for central Oxford at South Paris, June 14; for northern Oxford at Rumford Falls, June 16.

Bird S. Coler, Comptroller of New York City, is the author of an important article on the House of Public Charity, which will appear in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for June. Mr. Coler, whose position has enabled him to see at close range the actual working of the present system, is very emphatic in his condemnation of it.

The ice in Rangely Lake went out the 8th and 9th of May this year. The years since 1882 are as follows: 1882, May 12; 1883, May 14; 1884, May 13; 1885, May 15; 1886, May 3; 1887, May 13; 1888, May 21; 1889, April 30; 1890, May 3; 1891, May 10; 1892, May 4; 1893, May 20; 1894, May 2; 1898, May 7; 1899, May 9; 1897, May 12; 1898, May 13; 1899, May 9.

Elmer R. Snowman, the Rangely guide, who was arrested last spring for guiding without a license and found guilty by a jury at the September term of the Supreme court, has secured the case will be heard at the July session of the law court here. The means, a finish fight to test the constitutionality of the much-talked-of guides law, Snowman applied this month for a license but was refused. Wealthy sportsmen are understood to be behind the guide in what cannot be other than an expensive test of the law.

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### SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Bert Fuller of Upton was here, Monday. Lysander Fuller of Upton has been here quite recently.

R. L. Cummings of South Paris was here, Monday morning.

D. C. Hammond will locate in Boston for the summer at least.

F. E. Hammond will spend the summer away, I understand.

Considerable young stock has been driven here from away for pasture.

Hayes' bakery wagon got around, Thursday. This is on the Bethel route.

Ella Libby has taken rent in the Brook house and will spend the summer here.

Simeon Curtis, who lives near the Greenwood line, is reported seriously ill.

I. W. Andrews was delegate to the Littlefield convention at Lewiston, Thursday.

T. Brooks Reed of Waterville, representing the old reliable Maine Farmer, was here, Thursday.

Moses Russell is to cut the hay on Geo.

Davis farm and will do some other farming there, this season.

N. Thurlow was at home, a few hours Thursday. He is reported as liking his job at Shelburne, N. H.

E. E. Richardson came here from Rumford Falls, last week. He has been in the meat business at that place.

We dropped into F. E. Davis', the other day, and Mrs. Davis showed us her fine four months' old boy Billy.

L. W. Andrews has purchased a horse of P. M. Holden of Paris. I presume this horse will do some of the company's trucking.

Edith Berry came from Ashland, Mass., Monday, and has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. E. Thurlow, and other friends here. I understand she will stop in Maine for some time.

F. L. Wyman, owner and proprietor of Pleasant Valley fruit farm, is touching up the shrubs, trees, etc. The mice have damaged some of his trees. We notice many of those white caterpillar homes in the branches of many of the trees throughout this section.

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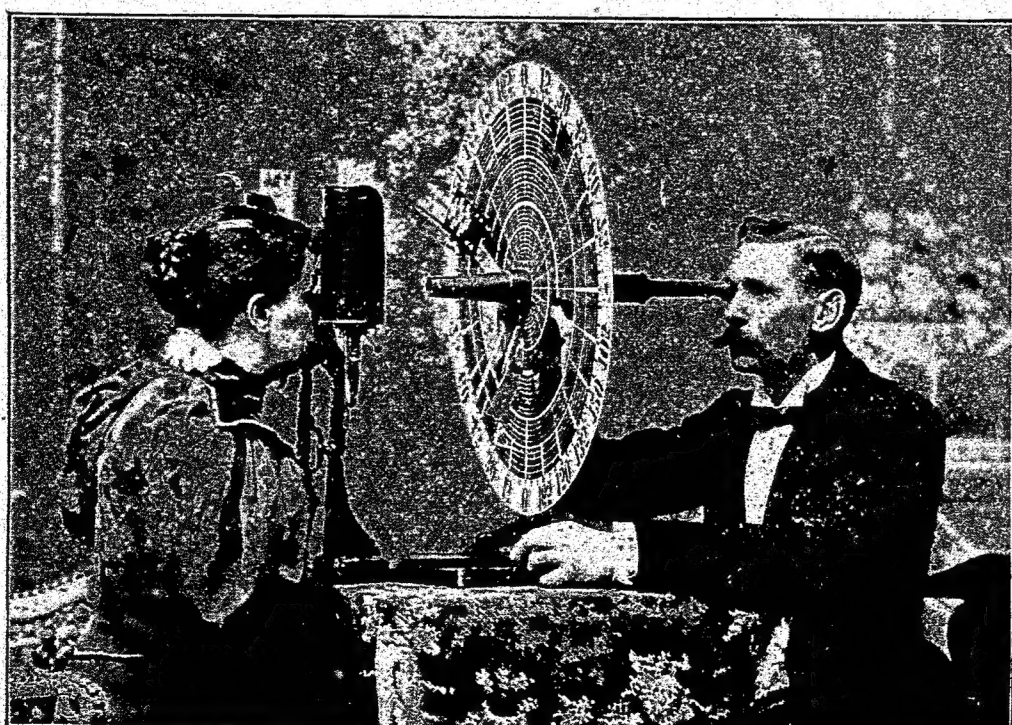
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### NORTH WATERFORD.

Dr. Coolidge has had two rooms finished in his house. One is for a bath room.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sawyer went to their home at North Stonelham, Wednesday of last week.

Geo. B. Rice and wife took dinner with their daughter, Mrs. G. W. Kneeland, at Bethel, last Sunday.

Frank Saunders has been doing the chores for his father-in-law, who at the present writing is not very well.

Emma Ricker with her father made a short visit at Dr. Coolidge's, last week. They were on their way to his daughter's at Otisfield.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Saunders who moved down to his father's, about a year ago, are to move back, this week, to their new home.

Elton York is having the inside of his house painted. His wife is stopping with friends at North Bridgton while the work is being done.

The Ladies' Circle will meet at the vestry on Tuesday, the 23d. A short entertainment in the evening, after which ice cream will be sold.

Mrs. Alice Allen is having her house clapboarded, also treated to a coat of paint. She returns, the 28th, to Bethel where she is to work for Mrs. Charles Chute. She has rented her house to Harry Sawin.

Joshua Saunders has sold one pair of his working horses, one to W. K. Hamlin and the other to David Lebrack. His son Harry has also sold one to the Sawin brothers and bought one of Mr. Andrews of Norway.

Our last circle, the 8th, was well attended. The entertainment gotten up by Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Manning consisted of recitations by three young ladies, also shadow pictures. Those guessing most right got a prize, Bert Brown being the lucky one.

### KEZAR FALLS.

G. W. Towle is convalescing.

Mrs. William Davis is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Garner have returned from New York.

Mr. Watson and family have moved into the Illingsworth house.

Aaron Garner of Lewiston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Garner.

Mrs. G. M. Jameson of Jamaica Plains, Mass., was home for a few days, recently.

A reception was held, Monday evening, in honor of the new minister and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. Bounds.

Farmers are predicting a poor grass year on account of the drought. The grass has already fallen to its customary level.

The M. E. church is in need of repairs and with the wisdom of Solomon Mr. Bounds has placed the matter of soliciting funds in the hands of the children. It is needless to say that they are meeting with fine success.

### FRYEBURG CENTER.

Mrs. Sam'l Wiggins is sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. Dexter Wiley has been sick for a few days past.

Dean McDaniel called on his relatives in this place, last week.

Charles How was in the place, recently, calling on old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Quint are staying at the town farm during the illness of Mrs. Wiggins.

The ground is so dry and cold here not much planting has been done in the fields and gardens.

Mrs. M. E. Adams and daughter Harriet are at Fryeburg village, caring for Mrs. Jane Frye Coolidge, who lately returned from Boston on an invalid.

### SUMNER.

Wright Crockett lost a horse, last week.

George Irish is working for Mrs. W. F. Bonney.

John Davidson has his potatoes and corn planted.

W. F. Bonney is building an addition to his house.

Mrs. Cynthia Morrill is caring for Mrs. Lilla Spaulding.

Wilson Morrill has gone to Whitman, Mass., to learn the carpenter trade.

Frank J. Thompson of Rumford Center is stopping at H. A. Sturtevant's.

School in district No. 5 commenced, May 8th, Leon Newton of Canton teacher.

Willard Foster and Geo. Morrill have gone to Massachusetts canvassing for Homer Chase of Auburn.

Arbor day was an unlucky day in this part of Sumner. Mrs. Hiram Buck fell from a chair and cracked her collar bone besides laming her other ways. Little Florence Poland stepped into a hole and fell striking her elbow on a stone and putting it out of joint.

### EAST SWEDEN.

H. L. Farrington is changing spring work with W. M. Flint.

Charles Bridgman of North Bridgton was at D. T. Adams', last week.

Charles H. Porter is working for Ed. Hilton of North Bridgton, this spring.

George Ridlon has done the team work for D. T. Adams on his farm, this spring.

Lester Marr of Norway was on a visit at his grandfather's, Samuel J. Marr's, Saturday, May 6th.

Mrs. Doris C. Grover, who has been quite sick for some time, is a little better, we learn. Her aunt, Mrs. Jane Flint is with her.

J. W. Nevins and Addison Flint have done the spring plowing, etc., for O. H. Brown and Geo. Haskell, also helped W. L. Marr do his work.

Arthur E. Flint, assistant farmer at the Lyman School for boys, Westboro, Mass., visited his sister, Mrs. J. W. Nevins, of this place last week.

Elbridge G. Allen and wife of New York arrived at the Allen farm, May 13, Object of Mr. A's visit at this time, to look after and lay out the summer work also spend a pleasant birthday, which was his 49th occurring May 14th.

### HASTINGS.

Cleaning house is the order of the day. O. B. Wilson of South Paris was in, we recently.

The passenger car has been treated to a coat of paint.

Wanted a correspondent for the Advertiser at Hastings.

George Maha and family intend moving to Norcross, this week.

Alex McDonald, the engineer at the mill, has been on a visit to his home in West Milan. B. W. Rice, the fireman, run the engine during his absence.

### HARRISON.

Warren Flagg has a new bicycle.

The latest out, maybasket hangers.

Mrs. Clara DeWitt is on the sick list.

Herman Thompson and wife were the guests at Audis Foster's, last Sunday.

Mrs. Andrew Wardwell and her daughter Mildred left for their home in Malden, last Thursday.

The funeral of Benjamin Wheeler was held at his son-in-law's, Eben Kneeland's, Wednesday afternoon.

What a misfortune that the scarlet fever should break out again in Harrison. It is reported that one of the teachers, Grace Skillings, has been taken sick with it. We sincerely hope that our schools won't have to be stopped again on account of it, for we are having some fine schools.

F. M. Trafon's buildings appear with a new coat of paint in fancy colors. They have been remodeled, painted inside and out, making one of the finest set of buildings in town. The painting was done by Rufus Penley and Albert Knight of Bridgton, two first-class workmen as the work will show.

### BYRON.

James Irish of Hartford is in town, this week.

Frank Richmond of Rumford Falls was in town, last week.

Buckskin Sam, who has been living in town since last fall, has returned to Bemis.

Noble Small of Andover was through the place, last week, delirious fruit trees, etc.

School at Gum Corner will commence, this week. The school in west part of town is in session.

Travis Richmond was at home, last week, on a short visit. He is attending medical college at Brunswick.

Jerry Brow has moved his family to Gum Corner and will occupy the house recently vacated by Allen White.

The hay crop will be light this year unless we have some rain soon. Pastures are very dry and cattle have poor picking.

Since the ice went out of Garland pond, May 2d, the fishing has been quite good. The brook fishing is not very good yet.

Swain & Reed's mill in Hop City has sawed all the birch in the yard and shut down for the season. The saw mill in Roxbury started up recently.

The singing school at Center school-house taught by Rose Whitman of Woodstock closed, last Thursday evening, with a grand concert. Quite a large sum of money was raised to add to the organ fund.

### WILSON'S MILLS.

C. T. Fox is helping N. K. Bennett with his spring's work.

R. A. Storey is clerking for M. D. Sturtevant who is away on business.

Charles Vallance, clerk at Camp Caribou, was down after mail, Tuesday.

Messrs. Orton and Robert Brown of the B. M. Co. are at the Brown farm.

Minnie Olson went to Camp in Meadows, Tuesday, to commence her work for the season.

Lena Olson and Jennie Hart who have been at work in Errol came up on the stage, Thursday.

A. W. Grover, Bethel, undertaker and funeral manager. New, up-to-date goods and special orders promptly filled.

Began sluicing logs through Azisoccos dam, Monday, May 8th. H. G. Bennett is tending out to prevent jams through the settlement.

The circle of King's Daughters met for the first time this season with Mrs. R. A. Storey. New member admitted, Mrs. C. T. Fox.

### BROWNFIELD.

Bert Miller was in town, Saturday.

Harry Brooks is at home from Boston.

Henry Hill is at work for Thomas Harmon.

The Odd Fellows Hall looks fine in its new coat of paint.

E. D. Walker had a carload of horses from the west, one day last week.

Charles Hill's teams have been hauling spool strips from Denmark to this station.

People who went to Portland, last Saturday, Frank Johnson, William C. Rowe and W. L. Gatchell, M. D. William Stickney is finishing off seven more rooms in his house at East Brownfield. The hotel, New Uberty, will be ready for the summer travel by the first of June. Mr. Stickney is a hustler.

Dr. Fitch and W. W. Johnson went fishing, Saturday. Doc. said they got 40 trout. The way they reckoned them was like this, Doc. got 4 and Johnson got 0 which put together make 40. It was a nice string.

### HARTFORD.

Mrs. Maria Glover of Sumner is in town.

We notice that Uncle Bill Foyle has a new horse.

Mrs. Irish's mother, Mrs. Robbins, is visiting in Hartford.

Dan Barker is to work for George Brown, this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Irish of Buckfield were in the place, Sunday.

Ida Ford went to Bryant's Pond, Friday, and returned, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irish went to Norway, Saturday, also Charles Higgins.

Mrs. Henry Parsons and Maud Russell of Buckfield were in the place, Monday last.

James Irish returned from New Hampshire, Friday, where he has been on business.

Addie Berry has taken Delbert Alley's farm to carry on, this year, we understand.

Clarence Mitchell went to Buckfield, Monday night, to commence work on the road there.

George Noyes of Sumner hauled a load of brick from here, Thursday of last week, for Fred Bonney.

Mrs. Fadden, who has been at work for Mrs. Eliza Kimball, has gone to Berry's Mills to teach, we understand.

Johnnie Widber and sister, Clara Haines, went to Livermore Falls, Friday, and returned, Monday, on their bicycles.

### PARIS.

Mrs. A. T. Forbes returned, last week, from a two months' visit in Waterville.

The Hubbard House has been newly painted and otherwise made ready for summer company.

Most of the houses that have been closed for the winter are now open. These are already reported are Mrs. Ingraham's cottage, one of the Carter houses and "Old Brick."

### NORTHWEST NORWAY.

MERRILL HILL.—Mrs. Oliver Merrill is at work in Otisfield.

Arthur S. Keniston is at his grandfather's in Albany for a few weeks.

OXFORD COUNTY LOAN ASSOCIATION. FINAL NOTICE.

Having been appointed by Hon. A. R. Savage, Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, a Special Master in Chancery to receive and decide upon all claims against the said Oxford County Loan Association and make report thereon to the Court.

Notice is hereby given that six months from the fourth day of January, A. D. 1899 is allowed for the presentation of claims, and that by order of Court all claims not presented within said period shall be forever barred. And further notice is given that I will attend to receiving such claims at my office in Norway, Maine, on Monday, the 23d day of July, 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.

CHARLES E. HOLT, Special Master in Chancery. Norway, May 18, 1899.

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